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SUBJECT: National Senior Intelligence Program

Reference: DIA Message, DTG 120457Z Jul 85, subject as above.

1. The National Senior Intelligence Program (NSIP), which had been an eight week program in recent years, was reduced to two weeks for its 1985 offering. In order to assess its validity as a senior program, the length and content of NSIP are now under review. The Defense Intelligence College announced by the referenced message that a letter would be sent, along with a questionnaire, inviting your assistance in that review.
2. NSIP is intended to be an executive program addressed to the GS-15/0-6 level. Our impression from preliminary review and from course critiques is that the program should be briefer than the presently scheduled eight weeks. The more senior people are not likely to be spared eight weeks away from their posts. What is more, while even the most senior people can profit from some measure of formal instruction, the program should perhaps also allow opportunity for a thorough exchange of views and problems.
3. Provisional thought suggests something on the order of three weeks for the program. The first two weeks might be devoted to formal instruction and seminars and the third week might be arranged in a much less formal setting so as to present an opportunity for intellectual refreshment, deep and leisurely reflection, and a free and easy exchange among the best minds in the profession.
4. We would greatly appreciate your thoughtful response to the attached, brief questionnaire. Your assistance will help us to plan effectively for the 1986 offerings of NSIP and will provide useful materials for discussion at the next users' conference.

Enclosure a/s


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**DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE COLLEGE
NATIONAL SENIOR INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM**

Please complete the following questionnaire and return to:

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1. Does a three week period seem about the right length of time for senior intelligence executives--mostly O-6/GS-15 and above--to take part in such a program as NSIP?

Yes _____ No _____
Do you suggest another period of time as more appropriate?

2. What would be the best time or times of the year for NSIP?

3. Do participants at this level in this kind of program need formal instruction or should they chiefly spend their time in seminars and exchanges of views?

What mixture seems best? _____ % instruction: _____ % seminars?

4. Listed below are some discussion topics and activities. Please rank them according to their relative importance. Mark with a "1" those of chief importance, with a "2" those of somewhat lesser importance, with a "3" the merely nice-to-know things, and a "4" those things altogether inappropriate for such a program:

- _____ Responsiveness and initiative in the analyst community
- _____ Raising the quality of analysis
- _____ Fiscal Management
- _____ Guest lectures by senior intelligence leadership
- _____ Personnel management (recruiting quality people; training; providing guidance; etc.)
- _____ External influences (Changes in administration; Congressional oversight; the press and broadcast coverage; FOIA; leaks; First Amendment)
- _____ Field trips to key Washington intelligence elements (NSA, NMIC, etc.)
- _____ Science and Technology

_____ Indications and Warning

_____ Collection (Systems; Requirements; Management)

_____ Area studies (Middle East; Latin America; China)

_____ Intelligence support activity (Inter-agency cooperation; technological support)

_____ Impending and future concerns in the intelligence community ("Hot" issues; new subjects; changes in the balance of assets or concerns)

_____ Current intelligence issues. We are considering devoting the last few days of the program to a thorough examination of the successes and failures of the intelligence community in some recent, historical crisis. Critical issues would be identified by the participants. A "retreat" setting is a possibility.

5. Do any of the above topics need to be retitled or do you have any comments on how they should be approached?

6. Can you suggest other important topics? _____

7. For planning purposes, please indicate the number of those under your supervision who might be sent to such a program each year for the next few years.

8. Please add any other suggestions you might have as to what should be in the program, or as to how the program should be set up or run. Please comment as extensively as you like on the proposal that the latter part of the program should be spent in a kind of "retreat" setting where, for example, the participants would bring to bear their perspectives on themes or problems of general concern.

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